

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	§	
TEMPLE ET AL.	§	Group Art Unit: 1712
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Serial No.: 10/776,887	§	
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Filed: FEBRUARY 11, 2004	§	Examiner: FIGUEROA, JOHN J.
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For: "DRILLING FLUIDS WITH	§	
IMPROVED SHALE INHIBITION AND	§	Atty Docket No.: HES 2003-IP-009967U1P1
METHODS OF DRILLING IN	§	
SUBTERRANEAN FORMATIONS"	§	

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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO
OFFICE ACTION MAILED ON AUGUST 23, 2007

In response to the Office Action mailed on August 23, 2007 (the "Office Action"), and as a supplement to Applicants' amendment filed on November 15, 2007 (the "November 15, 2007 Response"), Applicants submit this Supplemental Amendment and Response.

- **Amendments to the Claims**, begin on page 2 of this paper and
- **Remarks/Arguments**, begin on page 11 of this paper.